

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

: Pate, James

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Title

: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR AUTOMATICALLY TRACKING AND COMMUNICATING DATA STORAGE DEVICE INFORMATION USING RF TAGS: OPERATING

CONDITION, CONFIGURATION AND LOCATION

Attorney Docket No.: LSI 02-5976

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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

## **CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.10**

I hereby certify that this RCE Transmittal, Preliminary Amendment, and the documents referred to as enclosed therein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service on this date, February 9, 2006 in an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee", Mailing Label No. EV 793 380 563 US addressed to: MS RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Penny L. Flint

Date: February 9, 2006

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.